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Dear Jorge:

I want to express again my thanks to you for your participation in our discussion dinner on Cuba. Our visiting professors both provided admirably pointed though brief summaries of the major issues concerning us. I suggest that the true measure of your contribution was the vigorous discussion that followed. It was just what I wanted and I am grateful to you for launching it.

I also want you to know that I appreciate your help to our Cuba Analytic Center. I agree that the center is doing good work and I am sure that one reason for this is their ability and their willingness to call on specialists such as yourself from the outside.

Yours,

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Letter to Professor Jorge Dominguez

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Imperial Cuba: the Home Front

Some Questions that Might Be Addressed

- 1. What has been the economic impact of Cuba's military activities in Africa?
 - -- loss of national output caused by absence of workers

-- impact upon the labor force

- -- logistical costs of ship and air transport of troops
- -- hard currency losses (termination of some Western aid programs)
- -- effects upon Soviet support
- 2. What are the political and social effects of Cuba's African policy?
 - -- level of domestic political support
 - -- sense of pride in Cuban accomplishments
 - -- avenues for career advancement
 - -- formation of a new revolutionary generation
 - 3. What have been the effects on the Cuban military?
 - -- enhanced combat capabilities
 - -- weakened air defense capabilities on the island
 - -- acquisition of new equipment from USSR
- 4. What are the long-term implications, assuming that Cuba does not significantly reduce its military role overseas?
 - -- creation of new elite groupings
 - -- rising demands for career advancement
 - -- effects of continued casualties
 - -- long-term economic effects